



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Colonel James A. (Tony) Buntyn

Colonel James Anthony Buntyn is the Vice-Commander, Air Force Cyber Command (Provisional), Barksdale Air Force Base, LA. Colonel Buntyn is responsible to the Commander for establishing the Air Force's newest Major Command. AFCYBER is responsible for organizing, training, and equipping Air Forces to conduct sustained global operations in and through Cyberspace, fully integrated with air and space operations. Before assuming his duties as the Vice-Commander of AFCYBER, he served as Director of the Global Cyberspace Air Operations Center (AOC), 8th Air Force, Barksdale AFB, LA, and was responsible for the integration of global Air and Missile Defense and Network Warfare within the Global Cyberspace AOC.

Colonel Buntyn was commissioned from the Air National Guard Academy of Military Science on 18 October 1984. He has served in a variety of positions with the ANG, including Commander of the 254th Combat Communications Group, Texas Air National Guard, Garland, Texas. The 254 CCG is one of eight Air National Guard Combat Communications Groups providing over 75% of USAF Tactical Communications and Air Traffic Control capability.



In 2003, Colonel Buntyn was the Deputy Director, C4 for the USCENTAF Combined Air Operations Center, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. He built the CAOC from the ground up in time to plan and direct air operations for OIF and directed a smooth transition of operations from Prince Sultan AB, Saudia Arabia, to Qatar.

Colonel Buntyn has also performed duties as Director of Communications and Information for the Headquarters Texas Air National Guard and advised the Commander of the Texas Air National Guard on all Communication, Computer, Command, and Control (C4) issues. He also directed the development of policy relating to C4 matters for the Texas Air National Guard.

EDUCATION:

- 1984 Academy of Military Science
- 1984 Supply Operations Officer Course, in residence
- 1985 Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, University of Southern Mississippi
- 1988 Communications/Computer Systems Officer Training, in residence
- 1990 Squadron Officer School, correspondence
- 1992 Master of Science in Management, Computing and Systems, Houston Baptist University
- 1996 Air Command and Staff College, correspondence
- 2000 Air War College, seminar
- 2004 Reserve Component, National Security Course, National Defense University

(Current as of October 2007)

ASSIGNMENTS

1. 1979 - 1984, Telecommunications Operations Specialist, 238th Combat Communications Squadron, Meridian, Miss.
2. 1984 - 1986, Supply Officer, 238th Combat Communications Squadron, Meridian, Mississippi.
3. 1986 - 1988, Communications Operations Officer, 238th Combat Communications Squadron, Meridian, Miss.
4. 1988 - 1989, Director of Operations, 238th Combat Communications Squadron, Meridian, Miss.
5. 1989 - 1989, Logistics Plans Officer, 254th Combat Communications Group, Garland, Texas.
6. 1989 - 1991, Communications Operations Programs Officer, 254th Combat Communications Group, Garland, Texas.
7. 1991 - 1994, Maintenance Control Officer, 221st Combat Communications Squadron, Garland, Texas.
8. 1994 - 1996, Chief of Maintenance, 221st Combat Communications Squadron, Garland, Texas.
9. 1996 - 1999, Director, Communications and Information, Headquarters Texas Air National Guard, Austin, Texas.
10. 1997 - 1999, ANG Liaison, Air Force Information Warfare Battlelab, Kelly AFB, Texas.
11. 1999 - 2000, Vice Commander, 254th Combat Communications Group, Garland, Texas.
12. 2000 - Present, Commander, 254th Combat Communications Group, Garland, Texas.

ACTIVATIONS

1. August 2002 - January 2003, Director, Desert Falcon Program Management Office, Al Udeid AB, Qatar.
2. February 2003 - May 2003, Deputy Director, C4, Combined Air Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar.
3. January 2004 - March 2005, Director, System Program Office, Air Force Network Operations and Security Center, Barksdale AFB, LA.
4. January 2007 - September 2007, Director, Global Cyberspace Air Operations Center, Barksdale AFB, LA.
5. October 2007 - Present, Vice-Commander, AF Cyber Command, Provisional, Barksdale AFB, LA.

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Air Force Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 1 oak leaf cluster
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with 1 oak leaf cluster
National Defense Service Medal with 1 bronze service star
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
Air Force Longevity Service Award with five oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 1 silver hourglass and 'M' device
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with one bronze service star
Air Force Training Ribbon with 1 oak leaf cluster
Texas Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal
Texas Outstanding Service Medal
Texas Medal of Merit
Texas Governor's Unit Citation
Texas Adjutant General's Individual Award with 2 stars
Texas Federal Service Medal with 1 silver star
Texas Faithful Service Medal with 2 cactus leaves
Mississippi Medal of Efficiency
Mississippi Service School Medal
Mississippi Longevity Medal with 2 devices

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS

Airman Basic	3 February 1979
Staff Sergeant	7 March 1982
Second Lieutenant	18 October 1984
First Lieutenant	16 January 1987
Captain	13 February 1989
Major	19 March 1993
Lieutenant Colonel	19 March 1997
Colonel	29 June 2001

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